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TAGS: OVIP, (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJ: REMARKS TO PRESS BY ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS AND SECRETARY

FOLLOWING IS TRANSCRIPT OF REMARKS BY ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS  
AND SECRETARY KISSINGER FOLLOWING MEETING, WALDORF TOWERS,  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1974 FOR YOUR INFORMATION (NOT  
PRESS RELEASE). BEGIN TRANSCRIPT:

SECRETARY: HIS BEATITUDE AND I HAD A VERY USEFUL, VERY  
CONSTRUCTIVE TALK IN A FRIENDLY ATMOSPHERE. WE AGREED TO  
STAY IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH EACH OTHER.

QUESTION: ARE YOU MAKING PROGRESS IN SOLVING THE CYPRUS  
PROBLEM? I ADDRESS MY QUESTION TO BOTH OF YOU.

SECRETARY: WE REVIEWED WHAT MIGHT BE DONE TO BRING ABOUT  
PROGRESS AND I THINK IT IS PREMATURE TO MAKE ANY SPECIFIC  
PROGNOSIS.

QUESTION: DO YOU THINK THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER SHOULD  
GET PERSONALLY AND DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN THE MEDIATION  
NOW TO RESOLVE THE CYPRUS DISPUTE?

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ARCHBISHOP: IT IS MY IMPRESSION THAT DR. KISSINGER IS

DEEPLY INTERESTED TO SEE THE PROBLEM OF CYPRUS PEACE-  
FULLY RESOLVED. I DON'T THINK I SHOULD GO INTO DETAILS AS  
TO THE TALKS WE HAD, BUT I SAY THAT WE HAD A VERY CONSTRUC-  
TIVE MEETING, AND VERY USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS.

QUESTION: DO YOU THINK IT WILL BE USEFUL FOR SECRETARY  
KISSINGER TO GO TO NICOSIA NOW?

ARCHBISHOP: WE DID NOT DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF HIS  
VISIT BUT I DON'T THINK THAT IT IS WITHIN HIS PLANS TO GO  
TO NICOSIA VERY SOON.

QUESTION: THERE IS A REPORT FROM NICOSIA THAT UNLESS YOU  
EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR MR. CLERIDES, HE WILL QUIT. DO YOU  
SUPPORT CLERIDES?

ARCHBISHOP: OH, YES. MR. CLERIDES ENJOYS MY CONFIDENCE  
AND HE HAS MY FULL SUPPORT.

QUESTION: SIR. THE LAST TIME YOU WERE IN WASHINGTON,  
YOU WERE CRITICAL OF AMERICAN POLICY ON CYPRUS SAYING THAT  
UNITED STATES WAS NOT DOING THE RIGHT THING? DO YOU NOW  
THINK THE UNITED STATES IS NOW DOING THE RIGHT THING?

ARCHBISHOP: I DIDN'T SY THAT. WHAT I SAID WAS THAT THE  
UNITED STATES COULD PLAY A MORE DECISIVE ROLE WITH THE  
PROBLEM FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM.

QUESTION: AND IS IT NOW?

ARCHBISHOP: I THINK THAT THIS QUESTION SHOULD BE PUT TO  
DR. KISSINGER. (LAUGHTER)

QUESTION: DO YOU EXPECT AN EARLY PULLBACK OF TURKISH  
FORCES?

ARCHBISHOP: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. GOODBYE.

END TRANSCRIPT. END MESSAGE

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